

Iowa

RAP TAKEN AT PARCEL POST

Iowa Hardware Dealers Say Mail Order Houses Are Getting Better of It.

GOOD ROADS ARE FAVORED

DES MOINES, Ia., March 3.—(Special Telegram.)—Declaring that abuses have been allowed to creep into the operations of the parcel post and that retailers are being discriminated against, the Iowa Retail Hardware Association passed a resolution today calling upon congress to remedy the condition.

The statement was made that mail order houses were doing about nine-tenths of the parcel post business under the present system and that the postmaster general has not used his powers wisely. The hardware men also went on record in favor of good roads, revision of credit methods, standardization of farm equipment, abolition of "laker" contracts, business extension work of the State university, work of farm papers which are encouraging home trading and passage of national laws looking toward restoration of legitimate competition, were commended.

Country Favored Roads.

A brick paved road from Des Moines to Ames, a distance of about thirty-five miles, may be constructed this summer. At a meeting held at the county farm last night about 300 members of the Ames-Des Moines Good Roads association were in attendance. Many of them were farmers owning considerable land. Ninety per cent of the membership expressed a willingness to be taxed for paving.

Confer on Fire Escapes.

A. L. Urlick, state labor commissioner, has called a conference April 4 of representatives of fire escape factories and of superintendents of hospitals to confer on the best kinds of fire escapes for hospitals. Managers of theaters will also be called in for a conference as to exits, the seating of the aisles and fire escape provisions at theaters. Since the new law went into effect July 4 many problems are confronting the department of labor, which has charge of the enforcement of the fire escape law.

Coal Retailer Gets B.C.

A new swindling game was made known to the police here yesterday, when a woman carrying a young babe appeared at the police station and told of how she had given a stranger \$5 for a load of coal which he had failed to deliver. The stranger called at the house and told her he had been selling off a carload of coal and it was all sold except two tons, which he would let her have for \$5. She advanced the money.

Works for Lower Taxes.

At a preliminary meeting held at the Savary hotel yesterday a call was issued for a permanent organization meeting to be held March 14. A committee was appointed to draft plans for the permanent organization. The committee consists of five members as follows: Senator Doran, Boone, Dr. George McCulloch, Wayne county; C. Mahaffa, Des Moines; C. A. Silford, Boone, and C. E. Tarnan of Story county.

Will Stock Iowa Streams.

E. C. Hinchaw, state game warden, expects to put not less than 50,000,000 miles in Iowa streams this year. He left last night for Washington, D. C., where he will get 25,000,000 pike eggs and he has arranged for a like number from other sources. Warden Hinchaw will speak before the annual convention of the National Protective and Propagation association in New York and will tell of the success of establishing game preserves in Iowa.

More Candidates.

Ben Edwards of Ames yesterday asked for nomination papers for state senator. He will be a candidate for state senator from District 2, which includes Boone and Story counties. Frank P. Bolinger of Afton, today filed nomination papers as a candidate for representative from Union county. L. H. Ayers, Jr., of Lee county, is a candidate for delegate to the Progressive National convention from First district and O. A. Greenock of Henry county is candidate for alternate district delegate.

Big Contracts Awarded.

The Des Moines Bridge and Iron works was today awarded the contract by the State Board of Control for the sewage disposal plant and septic tank to be installed at the state epileptic colony at Woodward for \$16,000. The Empire company of Des Moines was awarded the contract for the sanitary sewer and storm sewer on their bid of \$4,388. Other plumbing, heating and electrical equipment contracts are yet to be awarded.

HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS BODY FOLLOWS SUIT

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cause of technical parliamentary entanglements, Senator Lodge, ranking republican member of the foreign relations committee, said the senate had gone on record as opposing a warning to Americans and against interference with the executive.

Action Complex One.

The action which effectually disposed of the Gore resolution was a complex one. Senator Stone moved to bring the resolution before the senate and Senator Gore then obtained permission to change his resolution. Retaining the original preamble, he substituted the resolution with the following:

"Resolved, That the sinking by a submarine of the battleship USS Oregon, an armed merchant vessel of the United States, resulting in the death of a citizen, would constitute a just and sufficient cause of war between the United States and the German empire."

Senator Mcumber, a republican, immediately introduced a substitute similar to Senator's Gore resolution warning Americans off armed ships pending negotiations with foreign powers to revise the rules of international law to meet the new conditions of naval warfare.

Means James.

Senator James, one of the administration leaders, then moved to table all proposals—the Mcumber resolution, the original and substitute resolutions offered by Senator Gore and all amendments. The motion was carried by sixty-eight senators, forty-seven democrats and twenty-one republicans, voting with the administration and twelve republicans, two democrats voting against it. The Democrats recorded in the negative were Senators Chamberlain and O'Gorman.

After his substitute for the Gore resolution had been slaughtered in the general motion to table, Senator Mcumber of North Dakota, reintroduced it as a new resolution. As much as it contains a

The Strange Case of Mary Page

By Frederick Lewis, Author of "What Happened to Mary" :: Pictures by Essanay

SYNOPSIS.

Mary Page, actress, is accused of the murder of David Pollock and is defended by her lover, Phillip Langdon. Pollock was intoxicated. At Mary's trial she admits she had the revolver leading man implicates Langdon. How Mary disappeared from the scene of the crime is a mystery. Brandon tells of a strange hand-print he saw on Mary's shoulder. Further evidence shows the horror of drink produces temporary insanity in Mary. The defense is "repressed psychosis. Witnesses describe Mary's flight from her intoxicated father and her father's suicide. Nurse Walton describes the kidnaping of Mary by Pollock.

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"You see, he knew Mary had made a hit, and that the show had got over good, and to have to train in two new recruits for our parts before the next night was some job. So he turned on the soft soap and pretty nearly proposed marriage in his anxiety to do the right thing by us before he got through. Then he got mad and began to sling language to make a stage hand sweat, and so we beat it towards the door, and Mr. Langdon marches up to Ecky and hands him his card, saying calmly, 'These girls are quite within their rights because of what has happened. Added to which I understand that you told Miss Page you didn't need her if she wouldn't accept the attentions of men obnoxious to her. Well, I'm a lawyer and I'll look after their interests. You can send your attorney to me at any time.' And he walked out and joined us. The girls had all come out by that time, and the crew were standing around, and Ecky didn't dare say anything more, so we got away and went home—jolly but happy. Of course when we told them at home Mrs. Page said Mary must give up her stage career, but she was too spunky for that. She said no, that the mistake she'd made was in getting a chorus job, and that if I was willing we might try for some road company and work our way up in the 'drama. I would have followed Mary any place, so I said I was on, and we even talked Mr. Langdon down before he left."

"That is all, thank you, Miss Barton," said Langdon with a smile as she finished, and Amy, looking around bewildered, asked the judge confidentially, "What do I do now, your Honor?" "You answer a few questions for me," said the prosecutor with a honied sweet-

ness. "Miss Barton, you are a very good actress, are you not?" "Go ask my press agent!" she answered lightly, and he flushed.

"Well, at any rate you can be very convincing in saying things—let's call it reciting lines—that have nothing to do with events that really happened, can't you? Especially in a sympathetic role?"

Amy clinched her little hands and frowned at him.

"If you're trying to put anything across," she said slowly, "you're come to the wrong shop. I took the oath and I don't swear to tell the truth and then lie. I'm an actress, not a lawyer."

A burst of laughter swept the room, and the judge's gavel came down sharply, though the corners of his mouth twitched as he said to Amy:

"You must confine your remarks to answering the questions put you, Miss Barton."

"I am," she replied imperturbably, and the prosecutor flushed as he asked sharply:

"Isn't it true that you said you would do anything in the world to save Mary Page?"

"Isn't it true that you're doing everything in the world to ruin her?"

"That is not answering my question," roared the prosecutor. "This is contempt of court—you have sworn to tell the truth—tell it!"

"Tell it to a policeman!" scoffed Amy. "I have told the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, and there isn't any more to tell, unless you'll let me tell you what poor business I think you have for your part of the show."

"Silence!" roared the judge and the prosecutor in unison, and now Amy, looking up at his honor, smiled and brought into view a dimple, as she said quietly:

"Your honor, I don't mind answering questions, but I'm so used to being holed in at rehearsal that the usual line of chatter just slips out."

Again a gale of laughter swept the room, the hysterical mirth of those whose emotions had been brought over close to the surface by tragedy, and the prosecutor, realizing that the pertness of the actress was a shield behind which he could not penetrate, and feeling that her testimony was after all unimportant, dismissed her with a shrug.

At her glad, "Oh, can I go?" the laughter broke out afresh; but it died

away when she ran straight to Mary's side, and before the bailiff or Langdon could stop her, had leaped over and impulsively kissed her cheek.

"You darling!" she cried, and suddenly burst into tears—the genuine childish sob of one whose heart is overflowing with pity. When she was led back to the witness room she was no longer an obscure little actress—she was famous. For the time at least she even overshadowed Mary—so much does the world love those who laugh and yet have tender hearts beneath the gaiety.

(To Be Continued Tuesday.)

FORMER GRAND OPERA STAR DIES AT CHICAGO

CHICAGO, March 3.—(Special Telegram.)—Mario Diro, 64 years old, a former grand opera star, died at his home here last night. Physicians said acute pleurisy caused the death. Madame Marion had made her home in Chicago for more than a quarter of a century.

ABANDON HOPE OF MAKING INTERSTATE WAGE CONTRACT

NEW YORK, March 3.—All hope of negotiating an interstate wage agreement for the soft coal fields of the middle-west was virtually abandoned today when propositions offered by both operators and miners were voted down by the subcommittee representing the two sides.

A difference of 1 cent in all that stands between the contending forces. Today the miners shaved down their 10 per cent increase demand for dead work and yardage to 5 per cent and also cut the

demand for a 30 per cent advance for day labor to 10 per cent. The operators moved to cut the pending tonnage demand of 3 cents to 2 cents

at once with proportionate decreases in other demands. This was refused by the miners and the operators then rejected the proposal of the workers.

Found Simple Remedy that Relieved Child

Mild, Laxative Compound Corrects Stubborn Case of Constipation.

An important duty that devolves on parents is the regulation of their children's bowels. Health in later life depends in large measure on early training and a child should be taught from infancy to regular habits.

When from any cause the bowels become congested with stomach waste a mild laxative should be employed to open up the passage gently and carry off the congested mass. A most effective remedy for this purpose is the combination of simple laxative herbs known as Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. Mrs. W. D. Bullis, of Reed, Okla., used Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin for her baby boy, Harley Burn Bullis, and says "It did him more good than anything we have given him. His bowels are very stubborn about acting, but they act easily every time I give him Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin."

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin contains no opiate or narcotic drug and is a splendid remedy for children and older people as well. It has been on this mar-



HARLEY BURN BULLIS

ket for more than twenty-five years and is the family standby in thousands of homes. Druggists everywhere sell it for fifty cents a bottle. A trial bottle, free of charge, can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 454 Washington St., Monticello, Ill.

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Advertisement for St. Jacob's Oil, promoting relief for rheumatic and aching joints.

Advertisement for SHERMAN & McCONNELL DRUG CO. featuring various medicines, toiletries, and perfumes.

Advertisement for Barker's Clothes Shop, offering clothing for \$25 and highlighting a \$15 shirt.